

# AMR ALKHATIB

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**SUMMARY** — My research specializes in Trustworthy Machine Learning, with a focus on Explainability and Conformal Prediction. I also have extensive research and practical experience in Graph Neural Networks, Natural Language Processing, Language Modeling, and Transformers.

## EXPERIENCE

### Ph.D. Candidate

KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Feb 2021 – Present

Stockholm, Sweden

- Conducted research on Explainable Machine Learning and Conformal Prediction
- Developed novel algorithms to ensure the interpretability and accuracy of predictions
- Published the findings in 8 peer-reviewed papers and presented the results at international conferences

### Data Scientist

Mendel AI

Nov 2017 – Jan 2021

San Jose, CA, USA (Remotely)

- Trained and optimized deep learning models for named entity recognition, sequence tagging, and text classification
- Developed a semantic search engine with a spelling error-resilient autocomplete system
- Developed machine translation models using RNNs, language models, and statistical machine translation systems
- Collaborated in product development using Java and tackled data processing challenges with Python
- Gained expertise in SQL databases, Google Cloud Platform, data processing with SparkSQL and Apache Spark

### Data Scientist

IST Networks

Jan 2017 – Nov 2017

Cairo, Egypt

- Conducted sentiment analysis on customer reviews about banking services, achieving state-of-the-art performance
- Developed a text pronunciation disambiguation system for a commercial text-to-speech application

### Research Assistant

Nile University

Sep 2016 – Mar 2017

Cairo, Egypt

- Developed an emotional tone detection algorithm for tweets using Convolutional Neural Networks

## EDUCATION

### KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Ph.D. in Computer Science, Machine Learning

Stockholm, Sweden

2021 – 2024

### Nile University

M.Sc. in Data Science and Machine Learning

Cairo, Egypt

2016 – 2018

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Machine Learning:** Explainable AI, Conformal Prediction, Graph Neural Networks, NLP, Language Models, Transformers

**Programming:** Python, Java, Shell Scripting, SQL

**Frameworks:** PyTorch, Keras, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Numpy

**Tools:** Google Cloud Platform, Apache Spark, SparkSQL, Git

## AWARDS

Alexey Chervonenkis Best Student Paper Award

COPA conference, 2023

WASP Scholarship Fully funded by the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation

WASP-Sweden, 2020

## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

### REVIEWER FOR

ECML-PKDD, ECAI, Machine Learning Journal

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Amr Alkhatib, Sofiane Ennadir, Henrik Boström, and Michalis Vazirgiannis. “Interpretable Graph Neural Networks for Tabular Data”. In: **ICLR 2024** DMLR Workshop, and accepted for presentation at the 27th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence (**ECAI 2024**)
- Amr Alkhatib, Henrik Boström, Sofiane Ennadir, and Ulf Johansson. “Approximating Score-based Explanation Techniques Using Conformal Regression”. In: **COPA 2023**
- Sofiane Ennadir, Amr Alkhatib, Giannis Nikolentzos, Michalis Vazirgiannis, and Henrik Boström. “UnboundAttack: Generating Unbounded Adversarial Attacks to Graph Neural Networks”. In: **Complex Networks** & Their Applications XII
- Amr Alkhatib, Henrik Boström, and Michalis Vazirgiannis. “Explaining Predictions by Characteristic Rules”. In: **ECML PKDD 2022**
- Amr Al-Khatib and Samhaa R. El-Beltagy. “Emotional Tone Detection in Arabic Tweets”. In: CICLing 2018

## REFERENCES

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- Prof. Henrik Boström – KTH: ✉ bostromh@kth.se
- Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis – KTH & Ecole Polytechnique: ✉ mvaz@kth.se